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FOR ASSISTANT SECRETARY ROGERS FROM AMBASSADOR

EO 11652: GDS

TAGS: PFOR GT

SUBJECT: OVERVIEW OF SECRETARY'S TRIP AND FOLLOW-UP TO IT

REF: STATE 061171

1. SECRETARY'S VISIT TO GUATEMALA WAS GREATLY APPRECIATED BY GOG, AND WAS BOTH A POLITICAL AND PUBLIC RELATIONS SUCCESS. HE GRAPHICALLY DEMONSTRATED US INTEREST IN GUATEMALA DURING A DIFFICULT TIME, AND THE OBVIOUS SINCERITY AND EMOTION OF HIS PUBLIC REMARKS WERE VERY FAVORABLY COMMENTED UPON.

2. WE BELIEVE THAT US RELIEF EFFORTS HAVE PROVED ONCE AGAIN THAT US IS A GOOD FRIEND OF GUATEMALA AND WE WOULD EXPECT THAT GUATEMALA MAY SEEK TO RECIPROCATATE IN THE IMMEDIATE FUTURE AT ANY RATE BY BEING A MORE CONSISTENT SUPPORTER OF THE US POSITION ON LATIN AMERICAN AND OTHER INTERNATIONAL ISSUES IN THE UN AND LIKE FORA. WE HAVE HAD VARIOUS INDICATION THAT THE SECRETARY'S VISIT HAS GREATLY REINFORCED THIS SENTIMENT WITHIN THE GOG, AND HENCE THIS MUST BE CONSIDERED A CONCRETE ACHIEVEMENT.

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MOREOVER, SECRETARY'S PERSONAL INVOLVEMENT IN FOLLOWING

UP WITH CONGRESS TO SEEK ADDITIONAL LONG-TERM DISASTER  
RELIEF HAS BEEN NOTICED AND WELCOMED.

3. UNDERSTANDABLY, GIVEN THE CIRCUMSTANCES OF THE  
EARTHQUAKE, GOG HAS DEVOTED LITTLE ATTENTION TO SUCH  
ASPECTS OF SECRETARY'S LA TRIP AS US/BRAZILIAN CONSULTATION,  
ETC. WHAT IS OF DIRECT INTEREST TO GOG ARE MATTERS  
CLOSER TO HOME SUCH AS CUBAN INTERVENTIONISM AND BELIZE.  
SECRETARY'S REMARKS AON BOTH SUBJECTS WERE PRODUCTIVE.  
USG CONCERN OVER CUBAN INTERVENTIONISM WAS ENCOURAGING  
TO GOG WHICH HAS LONG BEEN WORRIED ABOUT IT. ON BELIZE,  
SECRETARY'S COMMENTS TO PRESIDENT AND FOREIGN MINISTER  
CONCERNING USG WILLINGNESS TO ENCOURAGE BRITISH FIND A  
NEGOTIATED SOLUTION WERE HELPFUL. AT THE SAME TIME HIS  
SUBSEQUENT PUBLIC STATEMENT ON BELIZE SERVED TO REITERATE  
USG POSITION IN MOST AUTHORITATIVE WAY, THEREBY DAMPENING  
WISHFUL THINKING IN GUATEMALA THAT USG WILL SOLVE PROBLEM  
OF BELIZE FOR IT.  
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